



MANSFIELD ADVOCATES FOR CHILDREN
Wednesday, June 3, 2015
Council Chambers, Town Hall
DRAFT - MINUTES

Members Present: Sara Anderson (staff), Lisa Dahn, Susan Daley, Sarah Delia (staff), Maggie Ferron, Jordana Frost, Cindy Guerreri, Jennifer Scanlon, and Pat Schneider.

Guests: Marie Hodrinsky

Regrets: Jane Goldman, Jeff Smithson, Mary Sposito, Judy Stoughton, Kathy Ward, Lisa Young, and Kelly Zimmerman.

WHAT	DISCUSSION	OUTCOME
CALL TO ORDER	Sara Anderson called the meeting to order at 5:37pm.	
CONSENT AGENDA	Approval of the Minutes of May 6, 2015 meeting.	<i>The May 6, 2015 Minutes were not approved as there was no quorum.</i>
STAFF REPORT	Staff Report: Sara Anderson <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Budget – The state budget has not yet been approved and passed. The Town budget is going to referendum on June 16. Meeting evaluations – Sara distributed the Meeting Evaluation results from September 2014 through May 2015. She mentioned that the meeting evaluations questions should be changed for next year. She suggested that a committee be formed to explore what questions should be asked. 	
NEW BUSINESS	School Readiness: Sara Anderson <ul style="list-style-type: none"> More SR slots are available through the state so Mansfield applied for two more slots. SR slots will be filled according to capacity. If so the slots would be distributed: MDD – 8 FT, WH – 2 FT, 1 PT, CCC – 2FT, 1PT. Slot Allocation needs more discussion and thought before decisions are made. Residency requirements are no longer required. QSM requirements have been delayed until July 2017. Chair Recruitment Committee: Sara Anderson <ul style="list-style-type: none"> There was a suggestion that the member roster should be sent to the membership. Jordana, Jen and Maggie have volunteered to serve on the Chair Recruitment Committee. 	

	<p>SBF – Next steps - Website Content: Sara Anderson</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A website content meeting will be scheduled. • Working on content. • Sara passed out cards for members to write out FAQ's and the answers or at least the direction where you might find the answers. • Blue cards were passed out for blog ideas. It seems that this has been a slow year for initiatives as the Collaborative has been focused on sustainability. • Need to generate interest in MAC; MAC will have a booth at the 5K on July 18 and will give out information similar to the ECE Forum. 	<p><i>Sara Anderson will revise the information on the ECE posters for the 5K and the Celebrate Mansfield Festival.</i></p>
TEAM MEETINGS	<p>There were not enough people to participate in team meetings so discussion was held by all.</p> <p>Community Connectedness/Playground: Maggie Ferron</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Leathers did not bid on the RFP. • The Committee went with ME O'Brien, which is the same playground contractor who has done many other playgrounds in town. • The Committee is staying with the vision of the kids' ideas and the community build aspect. • There were issues of liability and code issues with a Community Built playground. • There will be a ramp for accessibility as well as a poured in place surface. • The site is still good, it is on the bus line, near downtown and there are restrooms in the Community Center that can be utilized. • There is a warranty available for this playground and that would not be available with a raw material/community built playground. 	
CLOSING	<p>Plus/Delta or Pros and Cons:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A short survey was handed out and people were asked to give specific feedback. 	
ADJOURN	<p>The meeting adjourned at 7:18pm.</p> <p>Next Executive Council Meeting, Thursday, June 11, 2015, 10:00am – 11:30am, Conference Room B.</p> <p>Next Regular MAC Meeting, Wednesday, August 5, 2015, 5:30pm – 7:30pm, Council Chambers, Town Hall</p> <p>Respectfully submitted, Sarah Delia Assistant to the Early Childhood Services Coordinator</p>	

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